

WINNEBAGO COUNTY CHILD DEATH REVIEW TEAM
Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2011

PRESENT: Belinda DeGoey (Winnebago County Health Dept); Teresa Paulus (Winnebago County Health Dept); Mary Jo Turner (Winnebago County Health Dept); Sara Schumacher (Childrens Hospital Fox Valley – Child Advocacy Center); Erin Roberts (Neenah Health Department); Stephanie Stauber (Winnebago County District Attorney Office); Jayne Tebon (Oshkosh Health Department); Mary Wiatrowski (Winnebago County Department of Human Services); Karen Nash (Infant Death Center of WI); Wendy Schwalbe (Family Services – Parent Connections); and Douglas Bisbee (Community for Hope)

GUEST: Paulette Stoltzmann and Lori Duclon (Winnebago County Health Dept) attended presentation.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 12:10 pm by Teresa Paulus.

PRESENTATION BY JESSE HEFFERNAN: Jesse is from the Harmony Café and gave a presentation on LGBTQ youth and how to be an advocate. Main points of presentation include;

- LGBTQ teens feel marginalized
- Higher risk for substance abuse and for being verbally and physically abused.
- All youth have the right to feel safe and supported in and outside of school.
- What to do?
 1. Watch your language
 2. Come out as an ally
 3. Let others know you support LGBTQ people
 4. Check in with your friends.
 5. Don't assume someone's partner is the opposite sex
 6. Ask for preferred gender pronoun
 7. Name it. Claim it. Stop it.
 8. Work to make your agency a thriving space for LGBTQ youth

Jesse provided handouts and flyers from the Harmony Café on programs they provide and ongoing supports provided.

A discussion followed about what is available in Winnebago County. There are SOFA (Students of Oshkosh Finding Acceptance) and PFLAG (Parents and friends of LGBT) groups available. There are GSA groups in Oshkosh, Menasha and Neenah High Schools but not in Omro and Winneconne. Youth Go in Neenah has a weekly SAFE group.

Doug Bisbee will contact Winneconne and Omro schools to find out available programming.

Jayne Tebon will check with UW-Oshkosh to see what the university offers.

Teresa Paulus with contact Outagamie County CDRT to find out their plans for recommendations on LGBTQ issues so that we could possibly work together.

Sara Schumacher will research the anti-bullying verbage ordinances that the school needs to comply with.

Doug Bisbee stated that we need to have communication and partnership with the school to make effective recommendations.

Karen Nash suggested a sub group within the team to work on approaching the schools in a non threatening manner to get them involved with the team and team recommendations.

INTRODUCTIONS: Welcome to Mary Jo Turner (Winnebago County Health Dept) and introduced to team members.

APPROVAL OF March 28, 2011 MINUTES: Mary Wiatrowski notated error in March 28, 2011 minutes that Jennifer LeBelle has moved out of state therefore resigned from the team not Becky Kaiser as noted in the minutes. Minutes amended. Motion by Mary Wiatrowski to approve amended minutes. Seconded by Wendy Schwalbe. Motion carried with no opposition.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Karen Nash to move the meeting into closed session. Second by Doug Bisbee. Motion carried with no opposition.

MOTION TO RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: Motion by Jayne Tebon to reconvene to open session. Second by Mary Jo Turner. Motion carried with no opposition.

Teresa reviewed that Parents are the Key program is under way. All the schools have been contacted and are on board. The program will start in the summer drivers ed programs. It will be promoted at Lifefest and the Winnebago County Fair. It will be offering a \$100 gift card for parents who complete the contract and sign up on-line. Teresa will review the progress on the Parents are the Key program at the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Monday June 27 at 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm at the Sheriff Department Community Room.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
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